

## *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

### *Syllabus*

## *Selfhood and despair according to Kierkegaard - 15258*

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*HU Credits: 2*

*Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)*

*Responsible Department: Philosophy*

*Academic year: 0*

*Semester: 1st Semester*

*Teaching Languages: Hebrew*

*Campus: Mt. Scopus*

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*Teaching Staff:*

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Course/Module description:

What does it mean to be a 'self'? Kierkegaard presents a detailed analysis of this concept in his influential *The Sickness unto Death*, and claims that a failure to be oneself is a state of despair. But how can one fail in being oneself? What is the nature of such a failure and what counts as a success in this regard? We will inquire into the connection between despair and (not) 'being oneself' by reading both in *The Sickness unto Death* and in the second part of *Either-Or*.

Course/Module aims:

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

understand Kierkegaard's view of selfhood and despair.

Attendance requirements(%):

100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lectures and discussion

Course/Module Content:

TBA

Required Reading:

TBA

Additional Reading Material:

TBA

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 15 %

Project work 85 %

Assignments 0 %

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*Reports 0 %*  
*Research project 0 %*  
*Quizzes 0 %*  
*Other 0 %*

*Additional information:*